

REMARKS

The Office Action mailed December 1, 2008, has been received and its contents carefully noted. The pending claims, claims 10, 11 and 26, were rejected. By this Response, claims 10, 12-14, 16-24, 25 and 26 have been amended. Support may be found in the specification and the claims as originally filed. No statutory new matter has been added. Therefore, reconsideration and entry of the claims, as amended, are respectfully requested.

Interview Summary

Applicants appreciate the Examiner taking the time to conduct a telephonic interview on 10 February 2009. During the interview, the amendments submitted herewith were discussed and the Examiner indicated he would likely receive the amendments favorably.

Objection to the Title

The Examiner objected to the Title for not being descriptive.

Applicants respectfully submit that the Title, as amended, is descriptive of the claimed invention. Therefore, the objection should properly be withdrawn.

Objection to the Claims

The Examiner objected to claims 10, 11 and 26 for being dependent on non-elected claim 9.

Applicants respectfully submit that the objection to the claims should be withdrawn in view of the claims, as amended.

Rejection under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph

The Examiner rejected the claims under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph as being indefinite.

Applicants respectfully urge that the claims, as amended, are clear and definite. Therefore, the rejection under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, should properly be withdrawn.

Rejection under 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph

The Examiner rejected the claims under 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph, as lacking enabling support.

Applicants respectfully urge that the claims, as amended, are fully enabled. Therefore, the rejection under 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph, should properly be withdrawn.

Request for Rejoinder

Applicants respectfully request that claims 12-25 be rejoined and allowed with claims 10, 11 and 26 as the claims 12-25 have been amended to depend directly or indirectly on claim 10.

Request for Interview

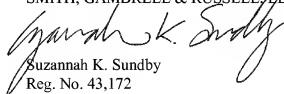
Applicants respectfully request either a telephonic or an in-person interview should there be any remaining issues.

CONCLUSION

All of the stated grounds of rejection have been properly traversed, accommodated, or rendered moot. Therefore, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner reconsider all presently outstanding rejections and that they be withdrawn. It is believed that a full and complete response has been made to the outstanding Office Action and, as such, the present application is in condition for allowance. If the Examiner believes, for any reason, that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number provided.

It is not believed that extensions of time are required, beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in accompanying documents. However, in the event that additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor are hereby authorized to be charged to **Deposit Account No. 02-4300, Attorney Docket No. 032301.465.**

Respectfully submitted,
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